

## Learning Outcome: Demonstrate effective and appropriate written communication abilities.

Criteria	Exemplary	Proficient	Developing	Beginning
Context and Purpose for Writing  Student skillfully devotes careful attention to and consideration of audience, context, and purpose.	Devotes thorough and careful attention to audience, context and purpose in the work; Approaches audience, purpose, and context with exceptional care and sophistication.	Devotes careful attention to context, audience, and purpose in most of the written work; devotes careful consideration to audience, context, and purpose.	Devotes some attention to context, audience, and purpose; lacks careful consideration and awareness of audience, context, and purpose in most of the work.	Devotes minimal attention to context, audience, and purpose; lacks consideration of audience, purpose, and context.
Content Development  Student skillfully develops content appropriate to the subject or area of study.	Uses appropriate, relevant, and compelling content to illustrate mastery of the subject, conveying the writer's understanding and shaping the whole work.	Uses appropriate, relevant, and compelling content to explore ideas within the context of the discipline in most of the work.	Uses appropriate and relevant content to develop and explore ideas in some parts of the work.	Begins to use appropriate and relevant content to develop foundational ideas.
Sources and Evidence  Student skillfully employs quality sources as evidence to support argument.	Employs high quality, credible, relevant sources as evidence appropriate for the discipline and genre of the writing.	Employs credible, relevant sources as evidence within the discipline and genre of the writing.	Attempts to employ credible and/or relevant sources as evidence appropriate for the discipline and genre of the writing, though sources are integrated inappropriately/incorrectly in some parts of the work.	Attempts to employ sources as evidence in the genre of writing, though sources may be integrated inappropriately/incorrectly.
Language and Conventions  Student skillfully applies appropriate writing standards	Produces correct spelling, grammar, syntax, word usage, and punctuation; successfully employs conventions	Produces few errors in spelling, grammar, word usage, and punctuation; employs most conventions particular to	Produces some errors in spelling, grammar, syntax, word usage, punctuation, formatting, and citation;	Produces errors in spelling, grammar, syntax, word usage, punctuation, formatting, and citation that detract from the
and conventions.	particular to a specific discipline, including organization, content, presentation, formatting, and stylistic choices.	a specific discipline, including organization, content, presentation, and stylistic choices.	follows some expectations appropriate to a specific discipline for organization, content, and presentation.	writing's meaning; attempts to use a consistent system for organization and presentation.